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SUBJ: INTELSAT--CHIREP/TAIWAN ACCESS

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED CHINESE REPRESENTATION ISSUE AND
TAIWAN ACCESS TO INTELSAT SYSTEM WITH MOFA INTERANTIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS AFFAIRS DIRECTOR, TESFAYE MEKASHA, SEPTEMBER 17TH.
IN VIEW OF ROC WITHDRAWAL, HE SAW NO REASON WHY CHINESE
REPRESENTATION SHOULD BE ISSUED FOR DISCUSSION AT NAIROBI.

2. TESFAYE SAID HE WOULD WANT TO STUDY PREAMBLE TO INTELSAT
AGREEMENTS BEFORE TAKING DEFINITIVE POSITION ON TAIWAN ACCESS
QUESTION. IF PRC RAISED NO OBJECTIO, HE DID NOT RULE OUT
RETENTION OF TAIWAN'S ACCESS AS NON-MEMBER. HE ASSUMED US
WOULD BE MAKING SOUNDING TO THIS EFFECT WITH PRC IN ATTEMPT
TO ENCOURAGE PRC POLICY OF BENIGN NEGLECT. PERSONALLY,
HOWEVER HE COULD NOT IMAGINE THAT PRC WOULD ACQUIENSE TO
ARRANGEMENT LINKING BOTH PARTS OF CHINA TO SAME INTERNATIONAL
ORGANIZATION. ACCORDINGLY, IN EVENT OF PRC NEGATIVE STANCE, TESFAYE
EXPECTED ETHIOPIAN POSITION ON TAIWAN ACCESS WOULD BE
GUIDED BY PRC ATTITUDE.

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